

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS Room 372, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 974-1465 or (213) 974-1431 FOUNDER Mrs. Sybil Brand

CHAIRPERSON Mrs. Eleanor R. Montano

VICE CHAIRPERSON Mrs. Helen H. Stathatos

Mr. Frank S. Bacio Mr. Vito Cannella Ms. Rita Hall Mr. John A. Hammargren Mr. Carl E. Moore

MINUTES OF THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OCTOBER 11, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Montano called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Chair Montano led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

ATTENDANCE

Present
Chair Eleanor R. Montano
Vice Chair Helen H. Stathatos
Frank Bacio
Vito Cannella
John A. Hammargren
Carl E. Moore

Excused Absence Rita Hall

Others Present

Jim Corbett, Assistant Chief, Commission Services Division Audra Galang, Commission Services Staff

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 4, 2006 MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Cannella, seconded by Commissioner Bacio, and unanimously carried, the minutes of October 4, 2006 were approved with the following correction:

Page 3. David and Margaret Home - 18, #1

Vice Chair Stathatos ADD: and Commissioner Cannella visited this facility......

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Montano reported that she was at the Parker Center to attend the 4:30 p.m. Press Conference when they found the killer of the 3-year-old little girl, Kaitlyn Avila. She thanked the media because it brought attention to the case.

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(Commissioner Moore joined the meeting.)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Bacio reported the current balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$1,154.

STAFF REPORT

Mr. Corbett, staff reported the following:

- The final Sybil Brand Commission's brochure was passed out to each Commissioner.
- The Board letter was submitted to the Board of Supervisors and will be on the next agenda to approve payment of \$520 for the registration fees of four Commissioners to attend the NEXUS XI Training Conference. The registrations of four Commissioners-attendees of the conference were transmitted by fax to NEXUS.
- 3. Mr. Corbett congratulated Commissioner Frank Bacio for his reappointment by Supervisor Molina of the 1st District.
- 4. Mr. Corbett reported the Sybil Brand Commission is exempt from filing the Form 700 with the State.
- Mr. Corbett said the suggested monthly reporting items prepared by Commissioner Moore are ready for mailing to the representatives of DCFS, Sheriff's Department and DMH. He requested from Commissioners any additions or deletions before sending out.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

FACILITY/GROUP HOME INSPECTION REPORTS

Street Academy – 101, #3

Chair Montano and Commissioner Hammargren visited this facility on October 9, 2006 and found they had moved to another location.

Project 6 – 14, #2

Vice Chair Stathatos and Commissioner Cannella visited this state-of-the-art facility on October 10, 2006. Every room is individually decorated and attractive. The kitchen looks like a restaurant kitchen.

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Children Home of Southern California - 14, #1

(formerly Children Baptist Home 18, #1)

Vice Chair Stathatos and Commissioner Cannella visited this facility on October 5, 2006 and noted it has improved. They found few <u>areas of concern</u>. The evacuation plan was not posted. The beds have no top sheets. The furniture is marginal. One bathtub was very dirty.

Rites of Passage – 93, #2

Commissioners Moore, Bacio and Hall visited this facility on October 12, 2006 and found no one home. They plan to revisit.

United Care Inc. #1 – 108, #3

Commissioners Moore and Hall visited this facility on October 10, 2006 and found in bedroom No. 3, the smoke detector was not working. The rating of **Satisfactory** was given.

Community Advisory Committee

Commissioner Bacio attended this meeting on October 10, 2006. As a recipient of \$200,000 in State funds, the committee is planning to have more publicity for the programs on GED, academic high school, culinary arts, sewing and custodial class.

Children Are Our Future – 10, #5

Vice Chair Stathatos gave a brief summary of the Auditor-Controller's findings that was submitted on October 10, 2006. Outstanding issues are being addressed by the owner.

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Montano shared inspection assignments with Commissioners for the following week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (To be presented and placed on a future agenda)

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Montano adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Corbett Staff